

An Open Letter

To Buyers of Ready Made Clothing!

It is a fact that the papers are teeming with windy, meaningless advertisements, setting forth (in glaring letters) facts—that which show on their faces ABSOLUTE FALSITY. When unscrupulous dealers advise to sell something for nothing, they are merely baiting to catch suckers.

The modest and unpretentious WHITE FRONT has studiously avoided all misrepresentation in advertising. And when we say, as we do now, that we have in stock the Most Desirable and Best Styles, the Most Perfect Fitting Garments, and withal the BEST MADE and Best Trimmed

CLOTHING FOR MEN, YOUTHS, BOYS AND CHILDREN,

we are not exaggerating.

Lovers of artistic character in Dress cannot, in justice to themselves, purchase until they have visited

THE WHITE FRONT,

and examined our Superb Selections.

Our Medium and Low Priced Goods are cut and made with the same care as our best Goods. In fact, when we place one of our Suits on an old man, a middle-aged man, a young man, boy or child, it adds a certain dignity to the wearer, that is so perceptible as to cause the looker-on to involuntarily exclaim

How Elegant! How Perfect, etc.

A word as to prices and we are done. Rivals concede the superiority of our selections, but tell you the prices are very high. DO NOT BE DECEIVED! We Guarantee

Our Prices as Low as the Lowest!

And will give you First Class Goods, instead of Seconds. We do not expect to please everybody, but we do think that we can convince every reasonable customer that our goods have Merit, Character, Fit, Style—and last but not least, they are cheaper at our Price than "TRASH" at ANY PRICE

Extending a cordial invitation to all lovers of honest goods to visit the WHITE FRONT, we can assure you courteous and gentlemanly treatment, and would be pleased to serve you. Open for business every day and night except Sunday. No business transactions on Sunday.

Yours, Hopefully,

JOHN IRWIN, Manager.

WHITE FRONT,
CLOTHING AND FURNISHING HOUSE,
Revolving Sign. Near Post Office.

Korsmeyer & O'Neill!

Practical Plumbers, Steam and Gas Fitters, Agents for Bates' Self-Feeding Boilers for Heating and Ventilating Residences and Public Buildings. Estimates and Specifications furnished on application.

Also dealers in Gas Fixtures, Bath Tubs, Sinks, Hose, Force and Lift Pumps, Glazed Sewer Pipe, Iron and Slate Mantles and Grates.

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Special Attention given to work in the country.

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EMBALMER

Funeral Director,

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TELEPHONE 53.

YOUNG MEN—READ THIS.

The VULCAN BELT Co., of Marshall, Mich., offer to send their celebrated ELECTRO-VULCANIC BELT and other ELECTRIC APPLIANCES on trial for thirty days, to men (young or old) afflicted with nervous debility, loss of vitality and manhood, and all kindred troubles. Also for rheumatism, neuralgia, paralysis, and many other diseases. Complete restoration to health, vigor and manhood guaranteed. No risk is incurred as thirty days trial is allowed. Write them at once for illustrated pamphlet free.

Decatur School of Education.

MRS. LENA HENKLE, dramatic reader and teacher of elocution, oratory and reading, its various branches, classes meet Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Business hours Monday, from 10 to 12 p. m. Rooms in Hawthorn Block, 2d floor. Elevator entrance on Water street. J. H. H. H.

CHOLERA'S REIGN.

It Seems Firmly Established in the Unfortunate Italian City of Naples.

Nearly a Thousand Fresh Cases and Over Three Hundred Deaths Reported on Thursday.

The Nation Expresses Its Gratitude to King Humbert for His Bravery—Other Foreign Affairs.

Laid Low by the Pest.

HEAVY DEATH RATE IN ITALY.
NAPLES, Sept. 12.—The dreadful epidemic increases hourly in the ferocity of its ravages. King Humbert was Wednesday prevented from visiting the poorer quarters of the city. During the twenty-four hours ended at nine o'clock last evening there have been reported in this city 965 fresh cases and 325 deaths from cholera. In other parts of the province, in the same period, there have been nineteen fresh cases and fourteen deaths. At Avellino, four fresh cases and two deaths; at Bergamo, eleven fresh cases and nine deaths; at Campobasso, three fresh cases and two deaths; at Caserta, thirteen fresh cases and six deaths; at Cosenza, two fresh cases and three deaths; at Cuneo, twelve fresh cases and ten deaths; at Genova, thirty-six fresh cases and twenty-one deaths; at La Spezia, twenty-six fresh cases and seventeen deaths; at Carrara, nine fresh cases and two deaths; at Rapallo, two fresh cases and one death; at Novara, Polvera and Salaparuta, one death in each place. Last evening the situation was slightly improved. The municipal authorities, with the approval of the Archbishops, have prohibited all religious processions. Two hundred volunteers have offered their services to the cholera hospital.

ROME, Sept. 12.—Catholic newspapers unite in eulogizing the bravery of King Humbert during his visit to Naples. A public subscription has been opened in Milan to present him with a medal commemorative of his visit to Naples.

PARIS, Sept. 12.—The Pyrenean region reports twenty-one deaths from cholera on Wednesday.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—Alydes from Cairo say that the Highland Brigade have been ordered up the Nile. General Wolsley will remain in Cairo for the present, and will take command of the British force in Egypt. The British Consul at Alexandria has forwarded to the Home Government many appeals made to him by people who have been awarded an indemnity. The appeal declines that any family are reduced to want and are suffering. Already a great number have sold the certificates of their awards to speculators at fifty per cent. discount. General Wolsley advises the Government that it is his intention to adhere to the Nile route in his expedition to Khartoum.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—The West India Committee has decided to send Salomon, a member of the Legislative Council of Jamaica, to Ottawa, to hold a conference with the Premier of the Dominion of Canada upon the question of the admission of the British West Indies to the Canadian customs union. After the interview Salomon will submit his propositions to the Legislative Council of Jamaica.

CAIRO, Sept. 12.—Lord Northbrook, British High Commissioner to Egypt, had an audience with the Khedive Wednesday, and presented him with a letter from the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, requesting the assistance of the Egyptian Government in solving the important questions, chiefly of a financial character, which England is now considering with relation to Egypt. The Khedive was very cordial, and expressed himself highly satisfied with the declarations of Northbrook.

PARIS, Sept. 12.—The Government decree that China was declared war. The Chambers will not be summoned to meet before October 15. The Prime Minister has returned to Paris.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—A dispatch from Shanghai to "The Times" says: "The Russian flag-ship has been anchored at a Korean port, while the fleet remains at Nagasaki waiting orders."

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LONDON, Sept. 12.—Advises from Tamatave, Madagascar, to August 30 state that the French had bombarded and temporarily occupied Mahanoro, a town on the coast, some distance south of Tamatave.

Shot Dead with His Own Pistol.

MOR SPRINGS, Ark., Sept. 12.—Last Wednesday night Ed Howell, a former railroad man from Memphis and participant in the Doran-Flynn affair of last spring, had a fight with Chief of Police Toler, who at that time was very active in expelling the gamblers. Howell, who was armed with a revolver, carried a pistol for the officer. Howell drew the weapon, but Toler forced it from his hand and shot him dead with it. Howell was a noted desperado and frequently engaged in affrays.

Illinois State Board of Agriculture.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—The annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture was held Wednesday. Andrew Welch was chosen temporary chairman. Of the one hundred and two counties in the State, seventy-seven were represented by their delegates. The election of officers was the only important business transacted. John Landrigan, of Albion, was unanimously re-elected President. Vice-Presidents, one from each Congressional district, were chosen.

Sitting Bull and Party in the East.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Sitting Bull and party arrived at the Grand Central Hotel at noon yesterday. The chief was accompanied by his niece and eight of the leaders of the five thousand Sioux Indians located at the Standing Rock Agency at Fort Yates, D. T. They remain here thirty days, go on a tour through the Atlantic States, and then depart for Europe.

Robie's Majority the Greatest on Record.

AUGUSTA, Me., Sept. 12.—The total vote of the State reaches 142,510, and Robie's majority over Rodman is 20,915. This is the largest majority ever given a candidate for Governor in this State in a Presidential year.

Mortality Among Children.

LA SALLE, Ill., Sept. 12.—The terrible heated term of the past week has caused much sickness here, and many infants have died. It is estimated that fifty children of this city and vicinity have died within past week.

LOSSES BY FLAMES.

A Baltimore Furniture Factory Destroyed—Coal Breaker and Works Burned Near Scranton, Pa.—Other Blazes.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 12.—D. Wilton & Sons' Eagle Furniture Factory at East Baltimore was burned yesterday afternoon. The walls of the factory fell, making its destruction complete. The building, besides the machinery, contained a large quantity of finished and unfinished furniture and lumber, none of which was saved. The proprietors estimate the damage at \$200,000, upon which there is only a partial insurance. The fire originated in a drying-room over the boiler.

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 12.—Yesterday at five o'clock a. m. the watchman at the Pine Brook mines of the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company discovered fire in the engine room, and by the time he had given the alarm the entire southeast corner of the structure was a mass of flames. By strenuous efforts the engineer got a stream on the fire-house and prevented its destruction. The fire extended to the boiler-house, the main breaker, the tower shaft and the hoisting-engine house, and all were totally destroyed. When the fire broke out, Andrew Davis, the fire boss, was making his rounds in the mine. The heat and flames descended down the shaft and nearly roasted him. He had to lie flat, and crawled for a quarter of a mile in the darkness, with only a rail for a guide. He was rescued without nearly exhausted. The loss on the breaker is \$35,000. The total loss is \$50,000. Insured.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 12.—A fire in Bishop & Co.'s cigar factory Wednesday night, which destroyed the building and its contents, is covered by insurance. The workmen of the factory have been on a strike for some time. Bishop claims that the place was set on fire, and that he will hold the city responsible for his losses, as he asked for protection some time ago and was denied.

FAILED FOR HALF A MILLION.

The Shrinkage of Values in Sugar Brings Down a Leading Firm of Refiners.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Burger, Harburt & Livingston, refiners of sugar and molasses, were compelled to make an assignment yesterday. The house was so well known for stability and integrity that the news of its distress was received with astonishment. Frank H. Platt, a son of ex-Senator Thomas C. Platt, to whom the assignment was made, took charge of the property of the concern. He said he was unable as yet to form an accurate estimate of the assets and liabilities. W. W. Goodrich, his partner, thought the liabilities would reach \$300,000, and that the assets would hardly reach that amount. In his opinion a compromise would be made with the creditors and the firm would probably resume. The preference creditors are to receive \$180,000. The failure is attributed to the enormous shrinkage in value of sugar and molasses. John A. Livingston, of the firm, died last week, and before his death the firm supposed they had \$700,000 capital, but found their mistake very speedily. As Mr. Livingston was a financial manager his loss was a hard blow to the firm.

Got His Money in Spite of an Attachment.

ELIZ, Pa., Sept. 12.—An engineer named Compton, employed at the Middlesex furnace here, owed a bill for goods at a store in town. The account was in dispute, and the storekeeper sued his creditor, obtained judgment, and attached his account at a bank in town. Then he made a general levy on Compton's household goods. The engineer watched his chance, went to the bank when Mr. Verch, the President, was alone, and demanded his money, at the same time covering the President with a revolver. The frightened bank official paid over the money at once, and Compton immediately left town. A warrant will be issued for his arrest.

One Month's Arrivals of Immigrants in Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 12.—The immigration returns for August show that 14,836 immigrants landed in Canada. Of these 5,895 were passengers for the United States, leaving 8,941 who settled in the Dominion. Since the 1st of January 112,512 entered Canada as immigrants, 36,275 of whom intended settling in the United States, leaving 76,237 who settled in the Dominion. These figures are below those for the corresponding period of 1883, when up to the end of August 134,837 persons had landed in Canada. Of these 30,011 settled in the country, and 54,826 went to the States.

Condition of Crops in Michigan.

LANSING, Mich., Sept. 12.—The Secretary of State has received reports from 722 correspondents, representing 597 townships, which show 179,609 acres of wheat threshed, up to August 25. The yield is 2,935,338 bushels, or an average of 16.76 bushels per acre. The figures indicate an aggregate product in the State of nearly 26,000,000 bushels, a better report than at the same time last year by 50,000 bushels. The condition of corn is eighty-nine; potatoes promise ninety-five; garden, sixty-seven; and peaches thirteen per cent. of an average crop.

Hops in Wisconsin.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 12.—Ex-Judge Small, who has a hop farm in Waukesha County, where he lives, reports that the task of picking the late hops has just been finished. The crop is very poor in quantity, being only about a quarter of what it should have been, but the quality is fine. The heavy dew bugs and the heavy dew are responsible for the small crop. News from all parts of the country is to the effect that this year's crop is very small, not averaging more than half as much as last year's.

Senators Going to Round Valley.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—J. L. Christie, Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate, is at the Grand Pacific. He met Senators Morgan, of Alabama; Cameron, of Wisconsin; and Daves, of Massachusetts, in this city and will accompany them to the Round Valley reservation in California. This Committee by resolution of the Senate, is directed to investigate the trouble existing between the Indians and settlers. They will leave here on Friday.

After the Estate of a Worldly Woman.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 12.—Mrs. J. H. Balleyny, a reputable lady of Chicago, has appeared in this city to claim the \$25,000 estate of Margaret Rice, for many years a keeper of a brothel. The latter left three children, who have been cared for by Mrs. Balleyny, a sister of the deceased.

Prohibitionists in Nebraska.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 12.—The Prohibition State Convention met here yesterday and nominated J. G. Miller for Governor, H. H. Sheld, the Republican candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, was endorsed. Five St. John electors were nominated.

Store For Rent.

Positively Your Last Chance!

NO HUMBUG.

They are going as fast as we can possibly wait on customers. The cheapest and best bargains ever offered in the store.

Do not miss the last opportunity, as we only have ten more days to sell articles, we will close and save from \$5.00 to \$7.00 on a nice suit of Clothing. Come! Come! Come! They are going! They are just rolling out. The greatest closing out sale of the Finest Line of Men's Boy's and Youth's wear, ever seen or offered in the state. Only Ten Days Longer.

Fleury, the Only and Genuine French Cutter, will continue his Merchant Tailoring Exclusively, and would be pleased to see all his old and new customers, where he will be pleased to exhibit the finest line of Piece Goods ever brought to this market—Chicago nor St. Louis excepted.

Fleury guarantees a Perfect Fit.

CORNER OLD SQUARE.

Store for Rent and Fixtures for Sale.

Niagara Pump Co.
Force Pump Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps.
FACTORY 331 & 333 N. MAIN STREET, DECATUR, ILL.

Lifted Up
A happy surprise it was to Mr. A. R. Norton, of Bristol, Conn., when ATHLEPHOROS put him on his feet, and sent him cheerfully about his business. Let him tell his own story:
"About three weeks ago I was taken with a severe crick in the back. For four days I was unable to turn in bed without help, and when lifted up could not stand on my feet. I was induced to try ATHLEPHOROS, after all the usual remedies failed. In 30 minutes after taking the first dose I could bear my weight upon my feet. In two days I was able to get about and attend to business. In two other cases which have come to my knowledge the use has been attended with the same results."

A poor man in Philadelphia had to borrow a dollar to buy a bottle of ATHLEPHOROS. On account of his poverty his name shall remain a secret. He had suffered terribly from Rheumatism. He gratefully writes:
"I took my first dose Tuesday afternoon, and on Wednesday, after but seven doses, I had not a sharp or severe pain left. Then I reduced the dose one-half and took the remainder of the bottle. I was able to be steady at work till Saturday, when I took a severe cold and was unable to use my left hand. I purchased another bottle and by bedtime I found relief. The medicine is all you claim for it."

Investigate ATHLEPHOROS all you please! Find all the fault you choose with it and yet the fact remains, that it is doing what no other medicine ever could do for Rheumatism and Neuralgia.

If you cannot get ATHLEPHOROS of your druggist, we will send it express paid, on receipt of regular price—one dollar per bottle. We prefer that you buy it from your druggist, but if he has not it, do not be persuaded to try something else, but order at once from us as directed.

ATHLEPHOROS CO., 112 WALL ST., NEW YORK.
(Sole Importers for the U. S. and Canada.)

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A Specialty, and at Lowest Prices.

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THE LEADING
JOHN I. PASOLD,
—Dealer in—
Building Stone, Window Sills, Door Sills, Water Tables, Sideswalks, Curbs, Stones, and Caps and Steps.
Largest Stone Yard in Decatur, Illinois.

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Building Stone, Window Sills, Door Sills, Water Tables, Sideswalks, Curbs, Stones, and Caps and Steps.

Largest Stone Yard in Decatur, Illinois.

CLEVELAND Agents wanted for authentic hair oil, with the co-operation and assistance of the renowned, Goudich, Largest, Assorted, hairdresser, elegantly illustrated. Costs were per copy to manufacturers than the other lines that are sold for twice the price. Outlets all others ten to one. One of our agents made a profit of over \$50 the first day. A harvest of gold will be realized by every worker. All new beginners succeed grandly. Terms free, and the most liberal ever offered. Save valuable time by sending 25 cents for prospectus, etc., on free outfit, which includes large prospectus book. Act quickly! A day at the start is worth a week at the finish.

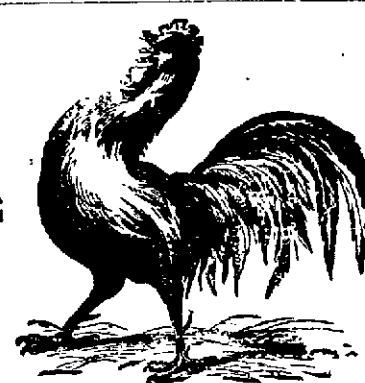
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Mr. J. R. RACE



Is in New York and is sending out Fall and Winter Goods, bought cheaper than ever. We are prepared to show you good goods, well-made, consisting of CLOTHING, HATS, Trunks, Valises and GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS at prices as low as some ask for "Trash," knowing that it will pay the purchaser best. Our Motto is to sell Good Goods. It pays to trade with us, as you can always get the correct styles and the Best Goods for the Least money. We can also supply you with all styles of

Campaign Hats.

Our Mr. M. L. Parker has just returned from New York, where he has interviewed the leading designers of correct styles in Gents' Tailor-made Suits, and is better prepared than ever to make you a good-Fitting First-Class Suit. Our Merchant Tailoring Department is stocked with all the latest novelties in piece goods for fall and winter trade, and it will be to your advantage to give us your orders. Our prices are as Low as the Lowest. Come in and see us. Respectfully,

J. R. RACE & CO.

129-135 North Water St., - - Decatur, Ill.

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—AND—

WALL PAPERS,

in Quality, Style and Coloring, surpassing anything ever brought to Decatur. Our prices, as usual, will be the lowest.

ABEL & LOCKE.

Macon County Fair,

To be held at Decatur, Ill.,

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Sep. 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Competition Open to the World.

Liberal Purses for Speed.

Premiums increased in all departments. Best grounds in the state. Plenty of water. Good music. Admission fee reduced to 25cts. Send for premium list.

J. C. HOSTETLER, Secy.

For family groceries as cheap as the cheapest, and as good as the best, go to John T. Montgomery's, corner of Water and Orris Gordo streets. Goods delivered to any part of the city. 131st

See Our Dress Goods, Etc.

We show as handsome and complete an assortment as any dry goods store in this part of the state, and save you 5 to 25%—according to quality—per yard.

Big 18 CHEAP STORE, Merchant Street.

23rd & w

Special Premium.

Go at once and see L. L. Ferris & Co.'s Fine Gents' \$3 shoes. None genuine without their name and the price stamped in the sole. Largest stock, best goods and lowest prices in Decatur. 134st

Big drive in Gents' Low Cut Shoes at L. L. Ferris & Co.'s. Go there now. Also their Gents' \$3.00 high cut, stylish shoes, with their name and price stamped in the sole, are now, good and unequalled anywhere. 134st & w

J. G. Starr & Son offer as a special premium to be competed for at the county fair next month, a handsome leaping horn side saddle with magnificent seat and trimmings and slipper stirrups. The saddle will be awarded to the best lady equestrienne over fifteen years of age. No award will be made unless eight or more ladies compete. 23rd & w

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